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WHEREAS, the Greater Columbus Arts Council (GCAC) through vision and leadership, advocacy and collaboration, supports art and advances the culture of the region; and

WHEREAS, since its founding in 1878, the Columbus Museum of Art has continuously served as one of the top cultural institutions in Central Ohio and as such is a key driver in the cultural community; and

WHEREAS, for the purpose of increasing its program capacity and special event space, the Museum of Art has embarked on *Art Matters*, a comprehensive renovation of existing facilities and construction of new that will significantly increase its special event, retail, and exhibit space; and

WHEREAS, through a unique and special collaboration, GCAC and the Museum of Art shall together ensure the completion of Art Matters and thereby an expanded presence of the Museum of Art locally, nationally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners approved Resolution #895-14 on December 16, 2014, entering into a five-year \$8,000,000 agreement with GCAC in support of *Art Matters* expansion project; and

WHEREAS, this resolution authorizes the 2015 payment under the five-year agreement; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to support the Greater Columbus Arts Council's mission and programs, specifically *Art Matters* as administered by the Museum of Art, and does so pursuant to Section 757.03 and 757.05 of the Ohio Revised Code; now, therefore;

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO;

1. That the attached purchase order, as individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List, with Greater Columbus Arts Council in the amount of \$500,000.00, which represents the 2015 commitment of the agreement, is hereby approved.

Prepared by Kate Matheny

Cc: Auditor

Greater Columbus Arts Council Columbus Museum of Art